

FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

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MEMORANDUM

TO:

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FROM:

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SUBJECT: Review of Subpoenas Issued in MURs 4407 and 4544

The Commission has issued subpoenas for documents and orders to submit written answers to a number of individuals and entities in connection with MURs 4407 and 4544. These enforcement matters involve media expenditures that may have been paid for by the Democratic National Committee and Democratic state party committees on behalf of the Clinton re-election campaign. The same media expenditures are at issue in the Commission's audits of the Clinton/Gore '96 Primary Committee, Inc., the Clinton/Gore '96 General Election Legal and Compliance Fund and the Clinton/Gore '96 General Committee, Inc. (collectively, the "Committees). Documents related to the media expenditures have been the subject of several subpoenas issued during fieldwork on the audits of the Committees.

In order to facilitate our investigation in these enforcement matters as well as the resolution of the issues related to the media expenditures in the audit and repayment contexts, this Office suggests that we coordinate our review of the relevant documents and share all available documentation. Attached for your review are 25 subpoenas and subpoenas and orders Memorandum to Robert J. Review of Subpoenas Issued in MURS 4407 and 4544 Page 2

issued in MURs 4407 and 4544. Please review them and provide this Office with a list within 10 days of information requested in the enforcement subpoenas which has been provided to the Audit staff during the audit that may be responsive to these requests. In addition, please inform this Office of any information requested in the subpoenas and orders that is not available to the Audit staff and would be useful to complete the audits.

We appreciate your assistance with this matter. If you have any questions or comments, please call Delanie DeWitt Painter at 694-1650.

Attachments as stated